Subject: Wisconsin USDA Foods Section Back-to-School Information

Below is the School Year (SY) 2018-19 "Back-to-School" Information for the Wisconsin USDA Foods Program.

Handling Charge Rates

There will be **no change** in the handling charge rates for SY 2018-19. Therefore, the handling charge rates for SY 2018-19 are:

FEE CATEGORIES	HANDLING PER GROSS WEIGHT POUND (LB.)
Administrative Fee	\$.010/LB.
Storage Fee	\$.0147/LB.
Delivery Fee (if using state- contracted delivery system)	\$.0281/LB.

A copy of the <u>Wisconsin USDA Foods Handling Charge Fees Fact Sheet</u> is available on the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) website.

Wisconsin Task Force Nutrition Standards

The Wisconsin Task Force on USDA Foods (WiTF) understands and recognizes the importance of providing nutritionally balanced and tasteful USDA Foods in school nutrition programs. Therefore, the WiTF, since SY 2012-13, has established nutrition standards for individual products made available through the Wisconsin USDA Foods Program. These nutrition standards are followed for all state-processed USDA Foods and brown-box USDA Foods made available to Wisconsin SFAs.

The SY 2018-19 WiTF nutrition standards are available on the WiTF webpage.

Wisconsin USDA Foods Back-to-School Resources

The following items have been updated for SY 2018-19 and are available on the DPI website:

- 1. Policy and Procedures for the Wisconsin USDA Foods Program
- 2. <u>Delivery Service and Receiving Procedures Frequently Asked Questions</u>
- 3. SY 2018-19 State-Processed USDA Foods Fact Sheets
- 4. SY 2018-19 State Processed USDA Foods Cost Analysis
- 5. SY 2018-19 Entitlement Value of USDA and Wisconsin State-Processed USDA Foods
- 6. Wisconsin State-Processed USDA Foods Meal Pattern Contribution Guide
- 7. <u>USDA Foods Program: Frequently Asked Questions</u>
- 8. USDA Foods Hold and Recall Procedure for Wisconsin Recipient Agencies
- 9. <u>USDA Foods Program Timelines (Calendar) for Schools</u>

Wisconsin USDA Foods Ordering System

The website URL for the *Wisconsin USDA Foods Ordering System* has changed. The new website URL is: https://www3.dpi.wi.gov/FDP/login.aspx. If your agency has the old URL saved in your internet favorite links, you will need to update the internet favorite link for the *Wisconsin USDA Foods Ordering System* to the new URL.

The most current version of the <u>Online Instructions – School Lunch Program</u> for using the *Wisconsin USDA Foods Ordering System* is available on the DPI website.